

REMARKS

Claims 27-32, 35-37, and 39-50 are pending. Claims 27, 35, 36, 37, 39-42 have been amended, and claims 1-26, 33, 34, and 38 have been canceled.

The indication that claims 40-50 would be allowed if suitably amended is gratefully acknowledged.

The Action objected to claim 39 for lack of an antecedent basis. Claim 39 has been amended and obviated the objection.

The Action rejected claims 26-39 on various grounds. The rejections have been rendered moot by this Amendment, which has canceled claim 26 and incorporated into allowable claims 40, 41, and 42 the features of claim 26 and the other base claims of claims 40, 41, and 42.

It is believed the application is in condition for allowance, and an early Notice of same is respectfully requested. If any questions arise, the undersigned attorney may be telephoned at the number given below.

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